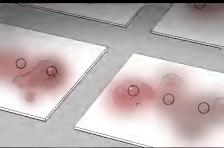


# TALES OF THE UNUSUAL

STORY/ART BY SUNGDAE OH

ETERNAL LIFE PILLS: PART 6







A hand is shown holding a small, round, red pill over a petri dish. Inside the petri dish, there is another identical red pill. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

THEY'RE ALMOST  
IDENTICAL..!



A close-up of a man's face, showing his eyes, nose, and mouth. He has a serious, determined expression. The background is dark and out of focus.

JUST WAIT... I'LL MAKE THEM PAY FOR IT..







IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN  
THE QUALITY OF THE ETERNAL LIFE PILLS HERE,  
THEY ARE USUALLY SOLD IN THE ORDER  
THAT THEY WERE MADE.



WHICH MEANS THAT EVEN IF THEY  
DO FIND OUT LATER ABOUT THESE FAKE ONES THAT I MADE,  
THAT WOULD BE MUCH LATER.







HUH..?

WHO  
ARE THESE BIG  
GUYS..?



AHH,  
I JUST FEEL LIKE  
I NEED TO TAKE MORE  
CARE WITH COMPANY  
SECURITY.

YOU  
CAN NEVER  
BE TOO CAUTIOUS,  
ESPECIALLY WHEN  
BUSINESS IS  
GOING WELL.



EVEN AN  
ACQUAINTANCE OF  
MINE ALMOST HAD  
ETERNAL LIFE PILLS  
STOLEN FROM  
HIM.

DURING THE DAY,  
THERE ARE PEOPLE IN  
THE OFFICE SO IT'S FINE,  
BUT I HAVE TO BE  
ESPECIALLY CAREFUL  
AT NIGHT.



ALRIGHT,  
THEN...



SHALL WE  
TAKE A LOOK AT  
THE ONES THAT YOU  
BROUGHT?







IT  
WORKED..!

CREAK

WAIT.





THESE...

HAVE A  
BIT OF A FISHY  
SMELL



GO AND  
WASH THEM AGAIN  
PROPERLY.

AHH,  
SORRY.

I PURPOSELY SPREAD  
SOME FECES ON THEM AND LEFT A BIT OF  
A SMELL ON THEM TO MAKE THEM MORE REALISTIC.  
THE RESULT WAS SUCCESSFUL.





I'VE GOTTEN  
AROUND 900 MILLION WON  
FROM USING FAKE PILLS  
TO TRICK PEOPLE...





I HAD  
BETTER FINISH THIS  
UP SOON.

I'LL JUST  
KEEP GOING UNTIL  
I SAVE UP AROUND  
ONE BILLION.

THEN AFTER  
I REALLY HIT 'EM  
WHERE IT  
HURTS...

CHHH-





I'LL LEAVE  
THE COUNTRY.







A man with dark hair, wearing a white dress shirt and a dark tie, is shown from the chest up. He has a neutral, slightly thoughtful expression. The background is a simple, light gray wall.

**IT SEEMS LIKE  
THE ETERNAL LIFE  
PILLS ARE LESS EFFECTIVE  
THAN BEFORE.**

**WHAT DO  
YOU THINK ABOUT  
THAT?**

THAT'S  
CERTAINLY  
POSSIBLE.

SINCE THE  
EFFECT IS MUCH  
MORE DRAMATIC IF  
YOU SWALLOW THEM  
WHEN YOU'RE NOT  
FEELING WELL.



IT COULD  
BE JUST A MATTER  
OF PERSPECTIVE,  
BUT JUST FOR  
YOU.

NEXT TIME,  
I'LL BRING YOU  
SOME OF OUR RECENTLY  
MADE PILLS.









YOU  
REALLY ARE  
TALENTED  
AT THIS.

YOUR  
PERFORMANCE  
WAS GREAT THIS  
MONTH AS  
WELL

BUT  
UNFORTUNATELY,



I THINK  
YOU'RE GOING  
TO HAVE TO LEAVE  
HERE TODAY.



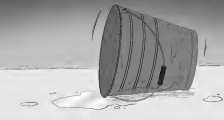
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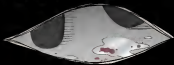
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UGH..

ARE YOU  
AWAKE?



WE SEARCHED  
YOUR HOUSE AND  
FOUND EIGHT  
STOLEN PILLS.

YOU  
MUST HAVE  
LOTS OF LIVES.  
HUH?



I LOST  
A FEW GOOD  
CLIENTS BECAUSE  
OF YOU.



YOU'RE  
GOING TO HAVE  
TO PAY THE PRICE  
FOR THAT.



I WOULD  
REALLY LIKE TO JUST  
END THIS RIGHT  
HERE,

BUT IN  
CONSIDERATION  
OF YOUR WORK  
PERFORMANCE BEFORE,  
I'LL LET YOU OFF  
WITH THIS.

BUT...

A cartoon illustration of a hand, possibly belonging to a character, holding a small white cloth. On the cloth are four dark, circular spots arranged in a 2x2 grid. The hand is rendered in a simple, sketchy style with grey and brown tones. The background is dark and indistinct.

YOU MIGHT  
EVEN DIE IF YOU'RE  
UNLUCKY.

To be continued...